

# **NPSO**

# NORTH DAKOTA'S NATIONAL POST SCHOOL OUTCOME SURVEY

#### What is it?

The **S**tate **P**erformance **P**lan is a 6 year plan that requires that state education agencies, in particular the ND Department of Public Instruction (NDDPI), to report on different indicators through the **A**nnual **P**erformance **R**eport. As such, Indicator 14 measures the percentage of all students who are no longer enrolled in a secondary school, had IEPs in effect at the time they left school, and were:

- A. Enrolled in higher education within one year of leaving high school.
- B. Enrolled in higher education or competitively employed within one year of leaving high school.
- C. Enrolled in higher education or in some other postsecondary education or training program; or competitively employed or in some other employment within one year of leaving high school.

The only way to obtain such data is to call former students and parents one year after...

## Why is this collection not only required but *important*?

- Federal Reporting & Public Reporting to ensure districts meet the targets set in the SPP.
- Data supports and guides future decisions for District Improvement and such decisions are made to benefit the upcoming students.
- Successful transition for all ND's children with disabilities to adulthood

#### **How are these Data collected?**

The state agency (NDDPI) contracts with a data collection agency to initially collect the required answers to survey questions. Thereafter, the state or local districts contact the hard to reach students or parents to get their responses so that the results can provide better insight.

#### Who gets interviewed?

Former students or parents of former students who meet the above guidelines under "what is it?" of Indicator 14.

## When and Where are the data collected?

These data are generally collected, via phone surveys, during the months of June and July; one vear after the student has left school.

# **Resources Available:**

At the website

https://www.nd.gov/dpi/Educators/SpecialEducation/SecondaryTransition/Indicator14PostsecondaryOutcomes/ you can read more about the postschool outcome interviews and previous year's results.

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